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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP SESSION ON BUSINESS FACILITATION

REF: AMBASSADOR DAVIES LETTER TO BAKER DATED JANUARY 3

1. STATE AND COMMERCE, AFTER CONSIDERING REFERENCED LETTER, SEE LITTLE ADVANTAGE TO HOLDING A WORKING GROUP ON BUSINESS FACILITATION SESSION SUCH AS THE POLES INFORMALLY PROPOSE. IN OUR JUDGMENT SATISFACTORY PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES OF CONCERN TO US.

2. SUCH A SESSION AT THIS TIME UNDOUBTEDLY WOULD BE USED BY THE POLES TO LECTURE US ON SAN FRANCISCO ISSUES, MOST OF WHICH ARE MORE HYPOTHETICAL THAN REAL (HEADCOUNT AND FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT). WE HAVE CONTINUALLY URGED THE POLES HERE TO GET ON WITH OPENING THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE AND HAVE TOLD
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THEM WE WILL GIVE PROMPT CONSIDERATION OF PROBLEMS WHICH ACTUALLY

INHIBIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE AS THEY OCCUR. THIS IS THE WAY WE PROCEEDED WITH THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND WITH THE OPENING OF OFFICES OF AMERICAN FIRMS IN POLAND.

3. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY SHOULD DISCOURAGE THE HOLDING OF A SESSION AT THIS TIME. DETAILS ON CLOSED AREAS AND FOREIGN AGENT REGISTRATION ACT BEING POUCHED. RUSH

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